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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

SHIRAI et al.

Application No.: ~~New Application~~ 09/703927

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Group Art Unit: ~~Unknown~~ 1714

Examiner: ~~Unknown~~ Jagannathan

FOR: THIN INJECTION MOLDED ARTICLES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks prior to examination.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2"

Please add new claim 4.

A+ Sub B2
--4. A molded article according to claim 2, wherein said organic clay is clay that has been rendered organic with two or more different types of organic agents.--